



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 24, 2003

H.R. 2714 **State Justice Institute Act Reauthorization Act of 2003**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on September 10, 2003

H.R. 2048 would authorize the appropriation of \$7 million a year over the 2005-2008 period for the State Justice Institute to make grants to state and local courts for improvements in court management systems, compiling statistical data, training programs for judges, and other purposes. Based on historical spending patterns of the institute, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2714 would cost \$20 million over the 2005-2008 period, assuming appropriation of the specified amounts. Enacting H.R. 2714 would have no effect on direct spending or receipts.

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION					
Authorization Level	0	7	7	7	7
Estimated Outlays	0	2	5	6	7

H.R. 2714 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act. It would impose no costs on local or tribal governments, and state governments would benefit from grants awarded by the State Justice Institute for programs and activities to enhance the administration of the state court systems. Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that about \$14 million in grants (of the estimated total spending of \$20 million over the 2005-2008 period) would be provided to benefit the operation of state courts.

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